

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: Amlan Datta, et al.  
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Examiner: Paul D. Marcantoni  
For: Synthetic Microspheres and Methods of Making Same

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**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

Applicants submit this paper in reply to an Office Action mailed October 12, 2007. The amendments and remarks as provided herein are believed to be timely filed. This Amendment does not introduce new matter or matter requiring an additional search on the part of the Examiner. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections and request allowance of claims pending in their Application for patent.

Provided herewith and for consideration with the above-identified Application are the following:

**Amendments to the Claims** reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2;  
**Statement of Substance of Interview under 37 C.F.R § 1.133** that begins on page 4;  
**Remarks** that begin on page 5; and  
**Conclusion** that begins on page 8 of this paper.